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Bills Offer Substitute for CIA Funds

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Sen. Eugene McCarthy (D-Minn.) will propose Monday that private foundations be required to contribute to a fund for financing certain overseas activities covertly supported by the CIA in the past.

In the House, a bipartisan group plans to ask creation of a publicly controlled corporation to finance such activities.

Both measures would be aimed at openly assisting the overseas undertakings of student groups, and educational and trade union organizations such as have been revealed as secret recipients of CIA funds.

McCarthy's plan calls for a fund to be financed by private foundations. They would be required to contribute an amount equal to 15 per cent of the grants they made. Failure to contribute to the fund would mean loss of tax exemption, he said.

McCarthy said his bill was intended to apply to general purpose foundations, such as the Ford Foundation or others with a broad range of activity, and not those which might be engaged in such things as limited medical research activities.

Under the House proposal, the various activities would be entrusted to an institute of international affairs. It would be managed by a nine-member board of directors composed of private citizens and government officials.

The nine board members would be appointed by the President and would be subject to Senate confirmation.

Sponsors, all members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, include Reps. Dante Fascell (D-Fla.), Donald M. Fraser (D-Minn.), F. Bradford Morse (R-Mass.), Edward R. Roybal (D-Calif.), Clement J. Zablocki (Wis.), John V. Tunney (D-Calif.), and Paul Findley (R-Ill.).

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